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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM: [REDACTED]  
Director of Communications

SUBJECT: CRAFT [REDACTED]

1. My discussions with [REDACTED] with regard to CRAFT would suggest that IMS has a general concept which they seem to desire to pursue on the basis of target of opportunity situations. For example, in [REDACTED] no specific plan has been developed, no goals have been articulated, and no period of time for the performance of the test bed has been established. Consequently, there is no provision for data collection, analyses, and decisionmaking subsequent to these events. Rather, the intent in deploying equipment to [REDACTED] is to solve the requirement of the Chief of Station for installation of devices which will assist him in writing his contact reports. Thus, we have confusion between the deployment of new equipment in a test mode and the understandable desire to solve real problems. The perception of a "test bed" as defined by behaviorists is considerably different from that same perception as defined by people who are more inclined to deal with scientific matters. [REDACTED]

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2. If CRAFT is to become more than eight pieces of equipment floundering in some form of extemporaneous configuration, it needs to have an overall plan and then specific plans to be executed within defined time periods for each station selected as a test bed. Some indication of maximum resource level also needs to be identified. Once we have done that, then decisions can be made in a rational fashion. Right now we are dealing with a poorly originated collection of data, subject to interpretation in accordance with the intent of the interpreter and not proceeding to acquire the necessary information upon which to make a balanced decision. [REDACTED]

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